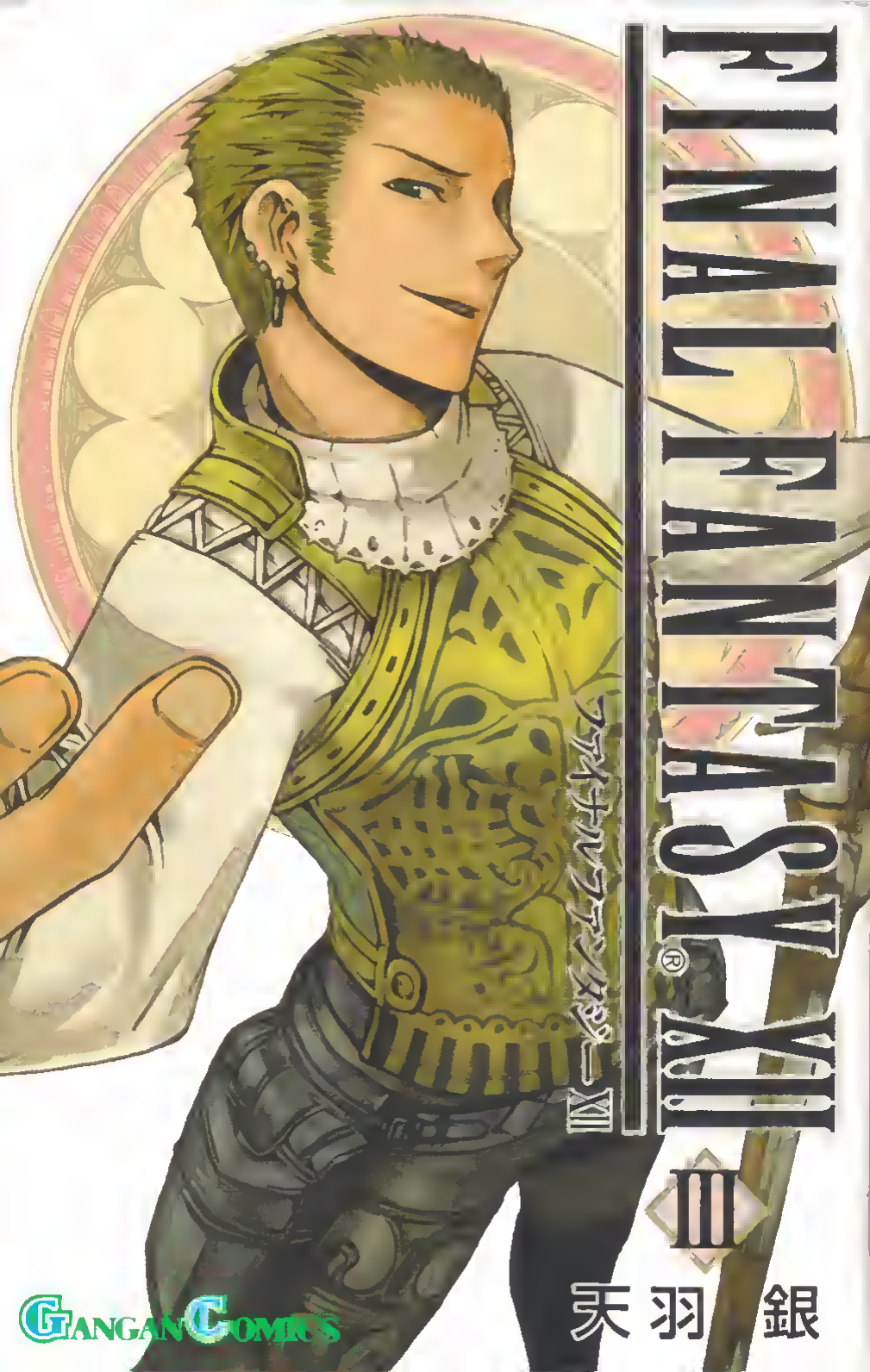
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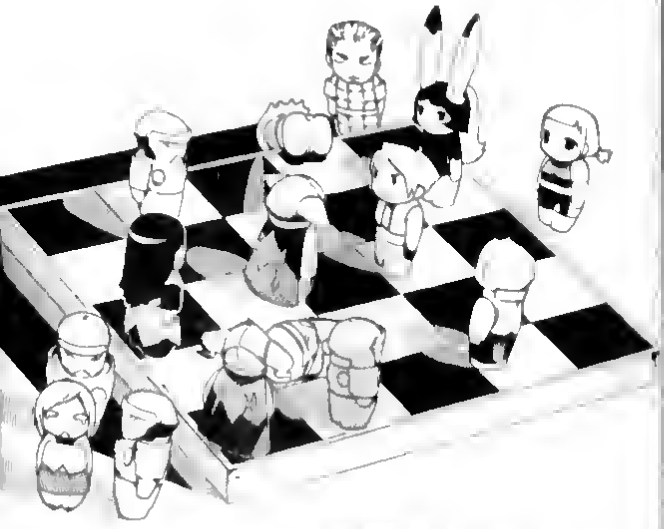

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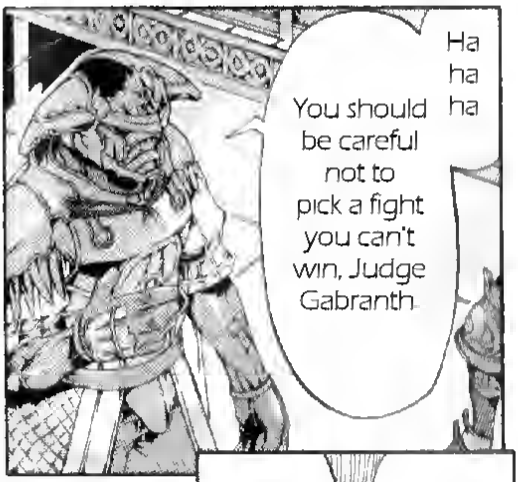
Chapter 8:
United Front
We've taken some damage, but the Dalmascan forces have almost been annihalated.
So, the beasts have decided, have they?

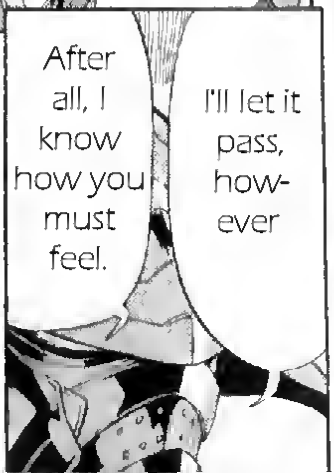
A leader like him could use this land as a foothold to overthrow any sort of military retaliation the Empire could prepare
I see. This is why the Senate was reluctant to let Lord Vayne come to Dalmasca.
But then.
If that's the case, why is he playing his new part as Consul so well?
How-ever...
That person will have no mercy in this situation..

Of this Dalmasca—
Does this mean that
the throne is more important than his own safety?
What's wrong? You seem pensive.
Gabranth...
Judge Gabranth!!
You're——

Judge Ghis

I should just leave the clean-up of these Dalmascans to you
What are you doing here?


Ha ha ha
You should be careful not to pick a fight you can't win, Judge Gabranth


After all, I know how you must feel.
I'll let it pass, how-ever

No, it's natural your spirits would be low, being such a sorry excuse for a military man.
Vayne Solidor weighed the two of us, and he chose me!
There's no way Judge Gabranth would be in such a state, right? Or could it be you've been driven mad by it~~~? I came to see!
However, you don't need to worry about this natural turn of events.
Be-cause...
As an Imperial, you should appreciate it.
Aga-in,
He miss-ed the point.
Right, Gabranth?

You may have the Emperor's support as a young foreigner rising to glory, wearing the armour of a Judge,
A foreign youngster is suited to be under our boot.
But if one is to stand higher than that, in the armour of the Judge Magister-
One must be a true-born Imperial, as I am! One must be chosen, as I am! This place- This place is where I shall rise!
There-fore!!
An out-sider like you---

.....
Th...
Th-
What?!
Yes, sir-
The truth is, we've heard from the traitors, sir.
What is it?! Unlike you lot, I don't have time to laze about Be quick
Lord Ghis.
That bastard, Gabranth Such insolence

To think that she participated in this battle
Hoho. If what you say is true, it's quite fortuitous
Ashelia B'nargin Dalmasca
The last survivor of Dalmasca's monorchy...
P...

Penelo is heavier, so this is nothing.
Don't worry about it
?
Please put me down.
I'm an ally to all women.
What'd you hit me for?!
!?
In any case, that was some bad information we got. We never should have tried this theft - our troubles keep multiplaying.

You're thieves?!
Sky Pirates.
The boy's just calling himself that.
Well,
We got involved with him trying to make a name for himself with Dalmasca's treasure
We're...
Thieves or sky pirates, they're all the same, aren't they?! I wasn't mistaken, and as a Dalmascan, I'm ashamed of you!
They're totally different! Sky pirates are way cooler!

Hehe, funny I'm sick of running - I'll be fighting, too
You three should run.
I'm their goal. As long as I stay here
Those soldiers are coming for me.
I'm a sky pirate! And I'm not that much younger than you!
Though you may be a thief, I cannot allow a child like you to become involved.
Don't talk back to your elders!
Gasp
Now, now. Could you two give it a rest? The soldiers are coming.

To think there was such a monster in the waterways..
Wh-What's that?
It's probably because of the fall of the Royal Administration...
There's no mistaking this sensation, coiling about us.
Uu-
Uwaaaaaaaaaaa- It's coming this waaaaay-
This was the source of the mist I felt earlier!!

He seems rather distracted by the Imperial Soldiers at the moment.
Wouldn't you say the Goddess of Fortune has smiled on us?
Fwr
.....
Why only the soldiers...?
The light reflecting off their armour probably agitated it
Besides that...

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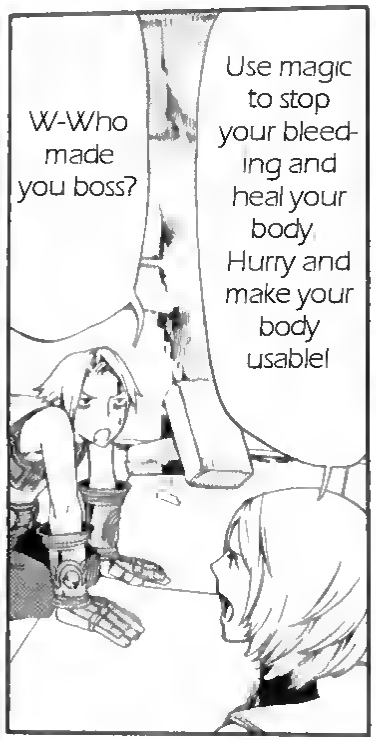
ぬぁ
ぱぁ
There are two?!
L- Let go of me--
Bal- thier!!

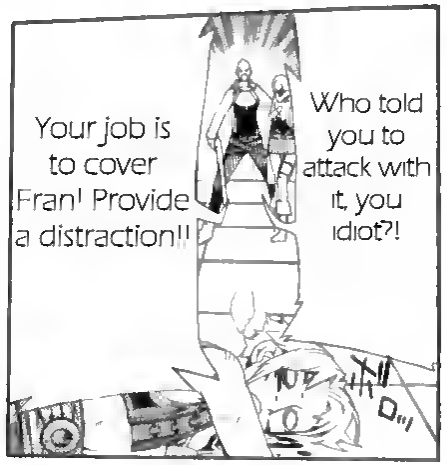
These two... One after another...
How bothersome. They're jealous of this Dalmascan goddess.
W-wait, this is...
Boy, use this!!

This guy's tough-


W-Who made you boss?
Use magic to stop your bleeding and heal your body. Hurry and make your body usable!

Ah!!
Hey!

Y-You should've said so earlier.


Your job is to cover Fran! Provide a distraction!!
Who told you to attack with it, you idiot?!

You need to stay here with me and provide backup.
You can't.
?
Kindly let go of me. I will fight as well.

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W-Who made you boss?

Look out!!
Eh?

Some-one prot-ecting me, again
It's my fault...
.....
How dare you ..
He-y, wait just a minute!
I'm...
How dare he leave me in this debt!!
A thief he might have been, but twice he's saved my life!

It can't be...
She saved him?
But, that means...
That viera
Carried the boy all that way, in an instant!?
I told you, I'm not a thief, I'm a sky pirate—!!
Kyaa-!

Don't you see?! How could you possibly damage a monster like that?!
Get back!! Do you want to die?!
But..
In the end, there's nothing I can do.
You're right.
I just didn't fully realize it until today

It was Vossler and the others who started the uprising, and who protected me, as a lady of the Royal Family.
I could not abandon my pride. I refused to fight, instead choosing to drown in my grief.
No, pardon me
It's just that I'm listening to the story of a young lady, who doesn't even have any blisters from a sword on her lovely hands, who ran out into the front lines without the slightest qualm.
W-What are you laughing about?!
Ku-Ku-Ku-
Snort-
How-ever
That you're even that self-aware and disciplined is admirable
むっ
Are you mocking me?

Don't you think?
Before one goes lamenting their own powerlessness, they should try doing something

Aaaah!
Gaa-!
Wah-
Hii-
Hii-
Hyaa-!
S- Save me. It hurts... It hurts...
A-
Shake
Amadeoooo....
Shake

Let-
Haa-
Haa
Haa
Haaa
Haaa
Haa-
Fu
Huff-
Huff
Huff
ルルッ
What are you doing with that...?
Wha...

You idiot, who do you think you have to thank for your fat life?!
Amadeooo-
Le-
Leggo!

Hiii-
Wheeze-
Get-
Get off–
Ahii-
Hiiiiiiiiiiii——
...And where are you going?

Traitor to allies. Slayer of friends! I asked where you were going
Wheeze
Haa
Hmph— I've no time to waste with you lowly peasants.
At least make me lose my footing.
You, however, are a noble beast, worthy of me.

Take me
to the Princess of Dal-masca.
ドサッ

This guy... His reactions are quick.
He is sensing our movements through the Mist, so he can perceive an attack from any direction.
We must be careful.
!!

Over here, mon-ster!!
B-Be silent!
Eh——— Shields equipped on both hands? What's the point of that~?!
Amazing power of defence?
?
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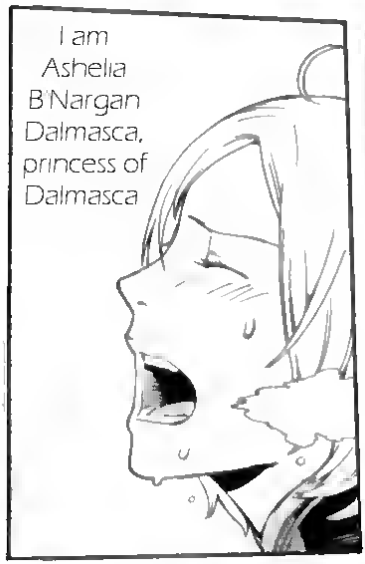
I am Ashelia B'Nargan Dalmasca, princess of Dalmasca

What-
What kind of bait must I resemble, to be so chased?!

Fu-

This is bad! That passage's too narrow for her to get away!

But
But, I never thought

I would fall over running,
And die.
eeh
eeh
There's still
Don't bother. This passage is too narrow for you
?
?
There's still more that I can do

Well, he is just a beast, after all
He was so excited he didn't even realize he was caught.
Fran, now!!

The man blinded it with his gun,
Letting the Viera get right up close in his blind spot.
So she could cast

SESSHOUKU HATSUDOU!!!

*Touch Activation

It froze
Even a beast hidden by the Mist froze in that Blizzard
Such efficient Mist conduction
For that Sesshoku Hatsudou
Combination
For that

So I didn't have to go get myself hurt like an idiot. And you went and let me-
You two were going to do that all along, weren't you?
Wierdo
You've got good luck. Though if you touched Fran, then...
-Hey!
Aaaaah—— I'm being ignored! Just 'cause I'm a guy and she's a girl! Pervert-thief! Idiot-thief!
My name is Balthier. It's a pleasure to make your acquaintance.
You did well out there. Are you hurt anywhere, miss?
Think. There must still be a way left for us to fight the Empire.
Ah, that's right.
Of all the people in the world, it was they who showed me what I did not know.
Though they're pirates, they are not my enemy.
Eh?

The name of this lovely flower
Which blooms amidst the Dalmascan sands
Oh, sea
If you don't mind, I would like to know your name.
Upper cut
Remove yourself you boor!
Asha?
Ah!!
Oh, no!!
Ash...
My name is

No, um... Amalia!! Yes, it's Amalia! I must thank you for saving me.
Well, she's cute even when she's lying.
.....
I'm Vaan. Nice to meet you, Amalia!
No, no. Listen, just now, what were you thinking...
Whisper
Whisper
?

Him?!
But that's impossible. Why would he be in a place like this..?
He, too... is an Imperial soldier.
No problem! I'm enough to take care of one Imperial Soldier, just watch!!
Stop, you idiot! He isn't a normal soldier...

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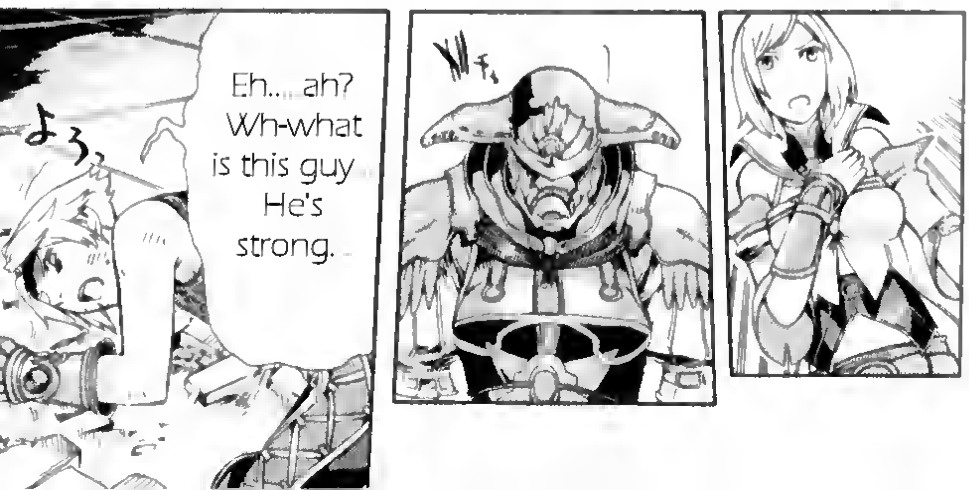
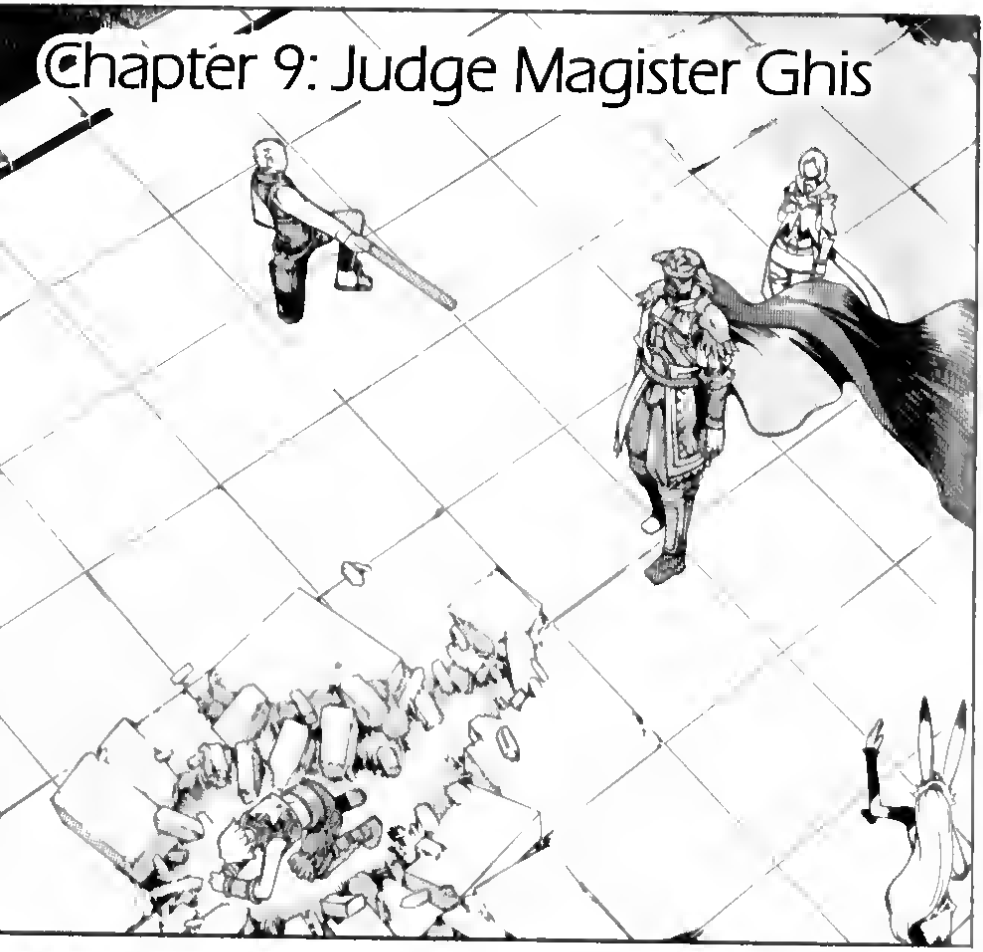
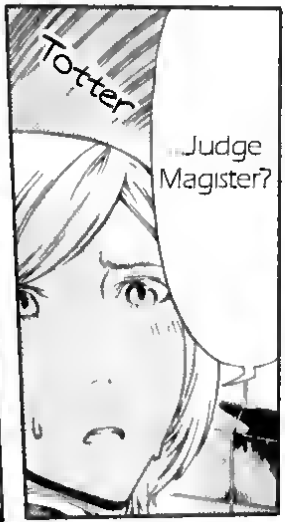

よろ、
Eh... ah? Wh-what is this guy... He's strong.

Listen up, boy, and prepare for the worst.
Up until now, it's been like playtime.
This is a Judge Magister – Guardians of law and order within the Empire, who sit at the right hand of the Solidor family
As well,
The Judges command
The Empire's strongest executioners

Chapter 9: Judge Magister Ghis





That man...
!?
Could it be that here, they've been lending their aid to the rebel forces?
For years, people have been losing their positions in the government
In all likelihood... He's graduated from the Imperial Academy. He's probably also of high birth
He knows of the Judge Magisters...
How shameful!!
To stain their very souls by aiding outsiders...

The girl
She's been caught by Judges
And the boy with the treasure is
...
Totally down for the count!!

So the only option left is... I'll have to somehow get past this guy
Even if the boy does wake up, he won't be able to fight anymore. Getting the stone would be difficult.
Fran is---
Seems like she can at least run!!
Not getting the mark is better than being caught!!!

Tch~

Those two,
Even they cannot land a single hit on that Judge!!
He's making them look like children!
How-ever..
Those two are strong, there's no mistaking that.
Be-tween them
Such an incre-dible differ-ence...

It's over-whelming!!

You say that, but keep in mind that I've not yet even drawn my sword.
Damn it- I can't load fast enough to keep up with him!
Be silent!
Low- er your guard
I'll catch you once you do.
Very well, then.
Th-

In Fran's right hand
Her sure-kill - Blizz-ard -
That's why,
Right now,
You shouldn't be over-looking my rough movements!

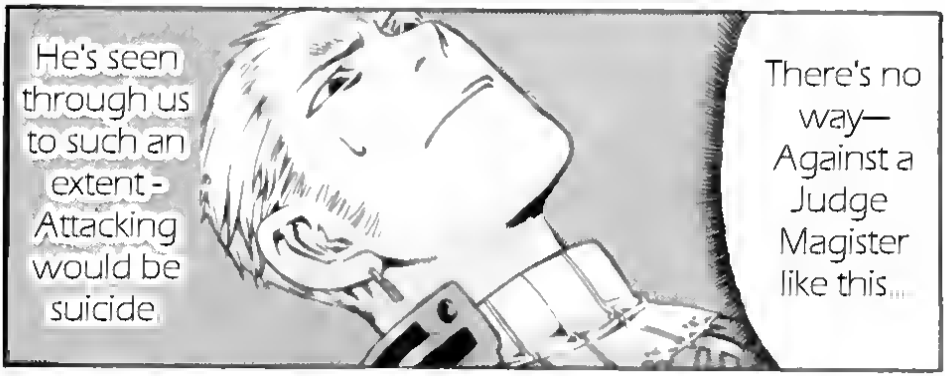
Wha-
He shot out my footing?!
Fu-
This timing
Perfect!!

He blocked Fran's right hand?!
...No, that's wrong.

It's more than just a simple difference in level.
Right now,
That level of offence right now,
The outcome of this fight is already determined.
This battle
There's no way

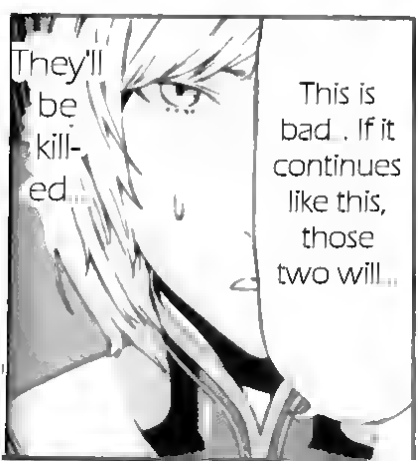
There's no way we can win–
Hmph
This certainly is a strange battle.
After all...
Fighting you two..

Your movements are quite strange
But though the Viera is unarmed, she is agile enough that you are closing my path of retreat.
And though you are firing rapidly, you are not using your weapon's full power.
Playing it by the book, that certainly is the best tactic
What's the matter?
There's too much difference in experience
We can't win
However, you do the opposite, setting up an attack with the Viera as your focal point
She then uses her "sure-fire kill" attack
How very strange
Is your right hand already done?
Or shall we continue?


He's seen through us to such an extent - Attacking would be suicide.
There's no way— Against a Judge Magister like this...

What should we do?

We need to just find some way to esc-ape.
It's hope-less. We've got no chance.


They'll be kill-ed...
This is bad . If it continues like this, those two will...

.....

...Ah-
Hm?
Eh?
Nn?
If they only had a little more help...
If that Judge could be distracted for only a moment, I could...
!!
.....

I'VE GOT YOU!!
.....
Eh?
SFX. Growl

I'VE GOT YOU!!

Hast thou not seen mankind's cruelty?
Has thou not seen mankind's foolishness ...?
Uu.
That might be true
You're wrong
You're wrong!
I...
That might be true—
Y...

Ku-
Unhand me, you worm! Do you hear me, boy?!
You little bastard!! You're still conscious?! How sturdy are you?!
Im-
Im-
Impossible!! Inconcievable!!
Heh heh heh
Heh-...
Your words... Or your fist.
I don't understand them.

You'll never break my pirate's spirit!!
I'm not afraid!
I know someone much scarier than you. Right now, you look weak!
!!
Saying that when he's fighting against a Judge Magister...
He's..

Yes...
An idiot.
An idiot.
An idiot?
I told you to let go, you damned fool!!

My brother once said
That big idiot!
But he's helpful!
Y-
You bastard.
Gasp-
Ulu-
uuuuuuu!

If two people can't do it together,
If Vaan and I can't do something by ourselves,
Then we'll ask Penelo or Migelo-san for help.
Then do it with three

It's al-
ready...
Too
late!!

M...my
sword
is....
frozen
.....?!

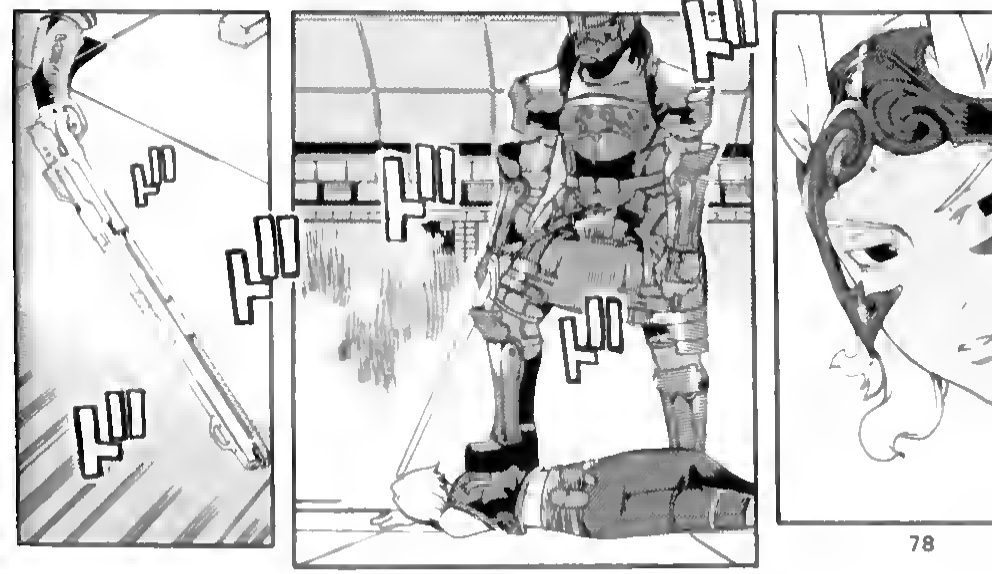
This right
hand–
If I let
it touch
me, then-
Kuu

Guuuu-
Ah...
Nn...
Guaa-

!?
Right hand...
Her right handll
Her right hand is...
Right hand?!
Right hand
Her right hand is- is- is-
It's going toooo-

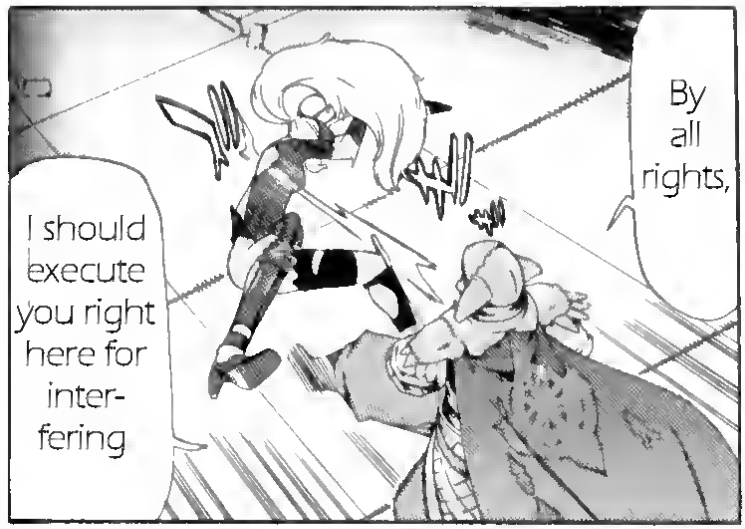
!?
That's enough, Viera!!

Hhh
Fuu
Hhh

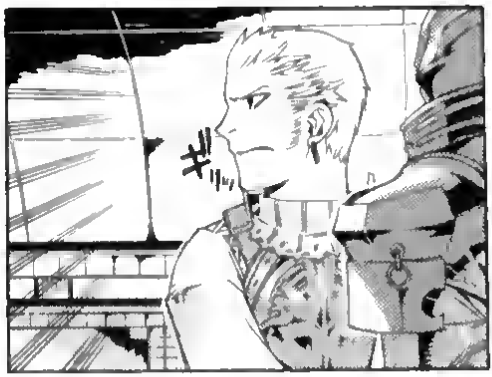


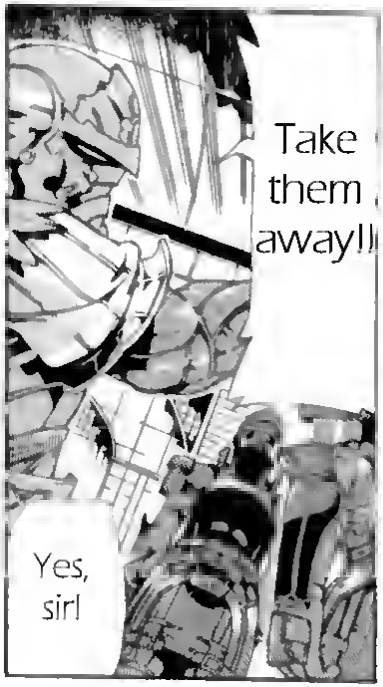
Balthier!!

Haa
Pant
You need to learn your place.
I... am a Judge Magister... And yet, you think to defy me...?

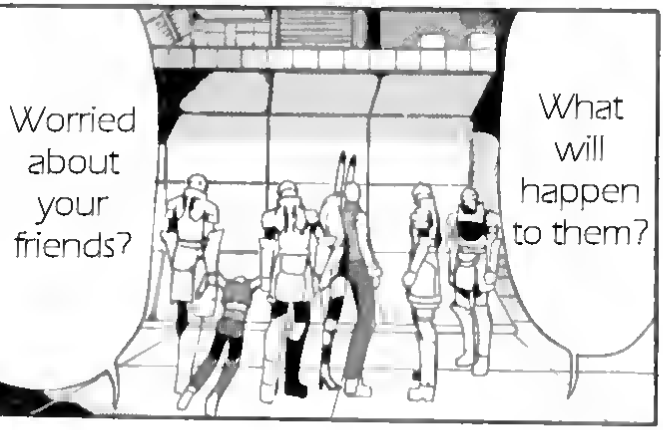

By all rights,
I should execute you right here for inter-fering

How-ever, that would be too easy.
Be glad for that.




Take them away!!
Yes, sir!

A cold cell in Nalbina is waiting for you.
Where you outlaws will be judged by the Empire.


Worried about your friends?
What will happen to them?

Your High-ness
Oh, don't worry. You're going to a different place than this lot.

Hmph
They're not my friends.

Though it depends entirely upon your behaviour, Princess
They will be dealt with as prisoners of war.

The commander of the Rebel Army,
Vossler Azelas?!
.....
I believe... you are

Princess Ashe is already ours...
In-deed
I was too late?
.....
Where did you learn that name?!
Ah-

We knew Princess Ashe would be in the attack
Haha- It is only as we speak that you begin to realize the danger.
It is full of spies!!!
There is nothing of your rebellion that the Empire does not know.
You should not-
Traitors within the Dal-mascan army?!

Tell such lies!!
The wounded beast barks loudest.

Now we're even...
No,

Take it back, Imperial Your words dirty the name of Dalmasca
はぁっ
はぁっ
ズッ
ズッ
ポッ
should you not abide by the rules of the sword?
If you live by the sword, then you, too...

I'll admit I'm intruiged I won't go easy on you!
How far do you think you can get with your body like that?
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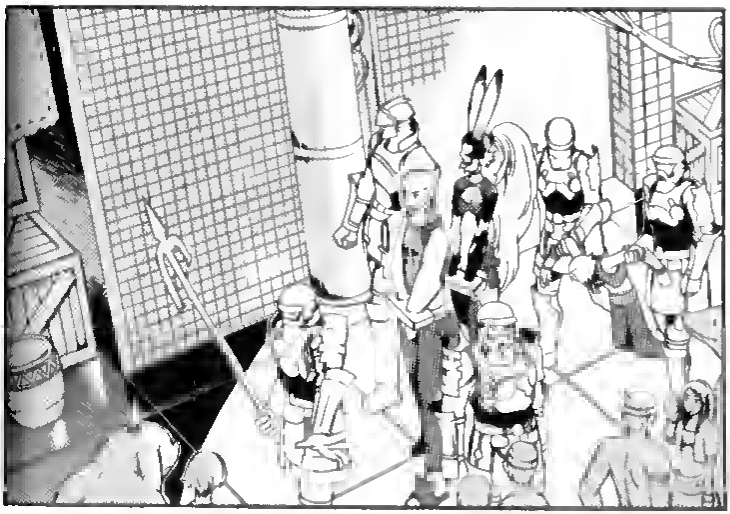
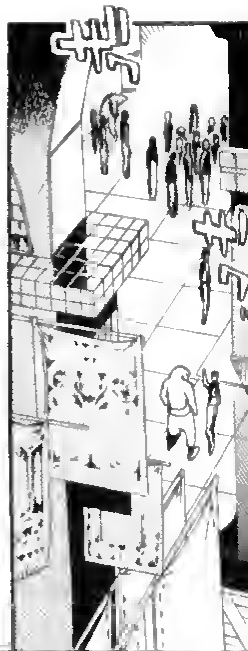
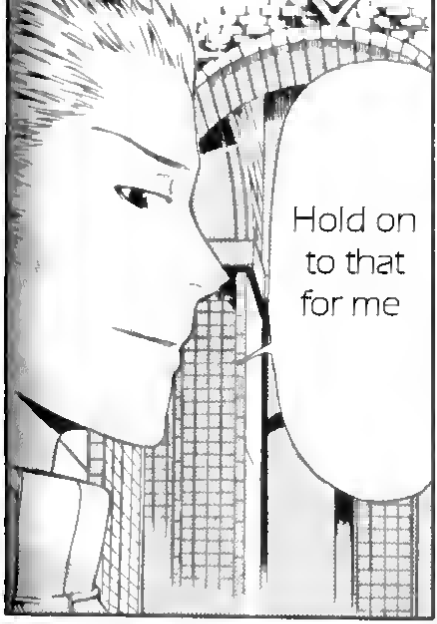


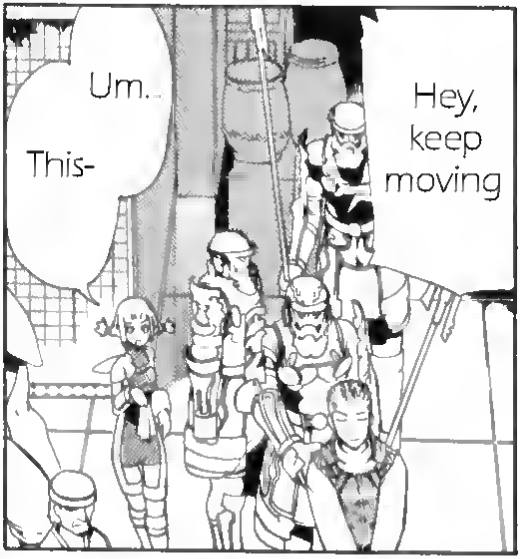


So then that's what all the fuss was about last night?
They're thieves who snuck into the Royal Palace.
Vaan?!

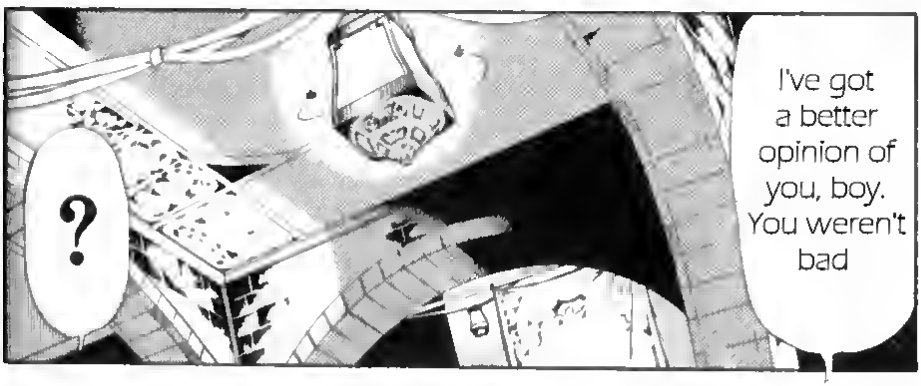
Step back, Dalmascan. This matter is under the jurisdiction of the Empire, and will be strictly judged
No exceptions
But.
Um... Wait!
Please wait! I'm sure it was just a passing fancy, so could you please let that boy go?
Please.
Hehe. Sorry, Penelo
Seems we'll have to wait a bit before we take to the sky.

Vaan, you idiot!
Doing things without thinking how other people feel!
.....?
A child like you should be in the radiance of the sun.
.....
Now, why is this lovely flower covered in dew?


Hold on to that for me


Um..
This-
Hey, keep moving

Just until I bring the boy back.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I've got a better opinion of you, boy. You weren't bad

I didn't do it for you. I just didn't want to make everyone cry.
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I thought it was quite an inginuitive use of your thick head.
I won't be doing it.
...Besides,
I'm the sky pirate Balthier, not to mention the leading man.
Is this all right? You did go ahead and make a promise, after all.
We three will.

Fufu~
I guess so.
Hehe~
Balthier?
What is he doing here? And with that woman..
I'll have to capture her before I'll have a chance to kill him.

Chapter 10: Prisoner

The war two years ago began and ended in the same place.
Nalbina Fortress
An important strategic point on the border. it is where both young Prince Rasler and King Raminas met their untimely ends

Where
Nalbina Fortress
...Well, under it.
Balthier?!

Public order disintigrated and crime increased
Two years ago, after the war, there was an increase in the number of political prisoners
That's one way to recycle Nalbina, I suppose.
So they converted the cellars of the fortress into a prison, and locked them all up in here
What's wrong?
...Nalbina Fortress, huh So we were arrested...

I... had a dream...
About my brother...
Gasp-
Do you mean this?
The stone!!
Where is it?! The stone-
Look, boy. It gives off such a lovely glow, doesn't it?

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That's just because you-
ぐぬぬぬぬ
My servant's things are my things.
-I need to keep my eye on you, don't I?
Who's a servant?! Who?!
Let's not forget that I've helped you out quite a great deal.

You can't go being afraid of every dead body you see.
Anyone would be surprised when they step on a dead body!
UWAAAAA
Look outside

Here,
There is no law.
It is a Hell where the weak are killed off.
As the Empire rapidly outgrew its own physical limits,
This was the first place to be forgotten in shadow.

Uwaaaa
The shadow cast by corpses
That's Nalbina, all right.
The only ones that live in comfort are the blood-thirsty

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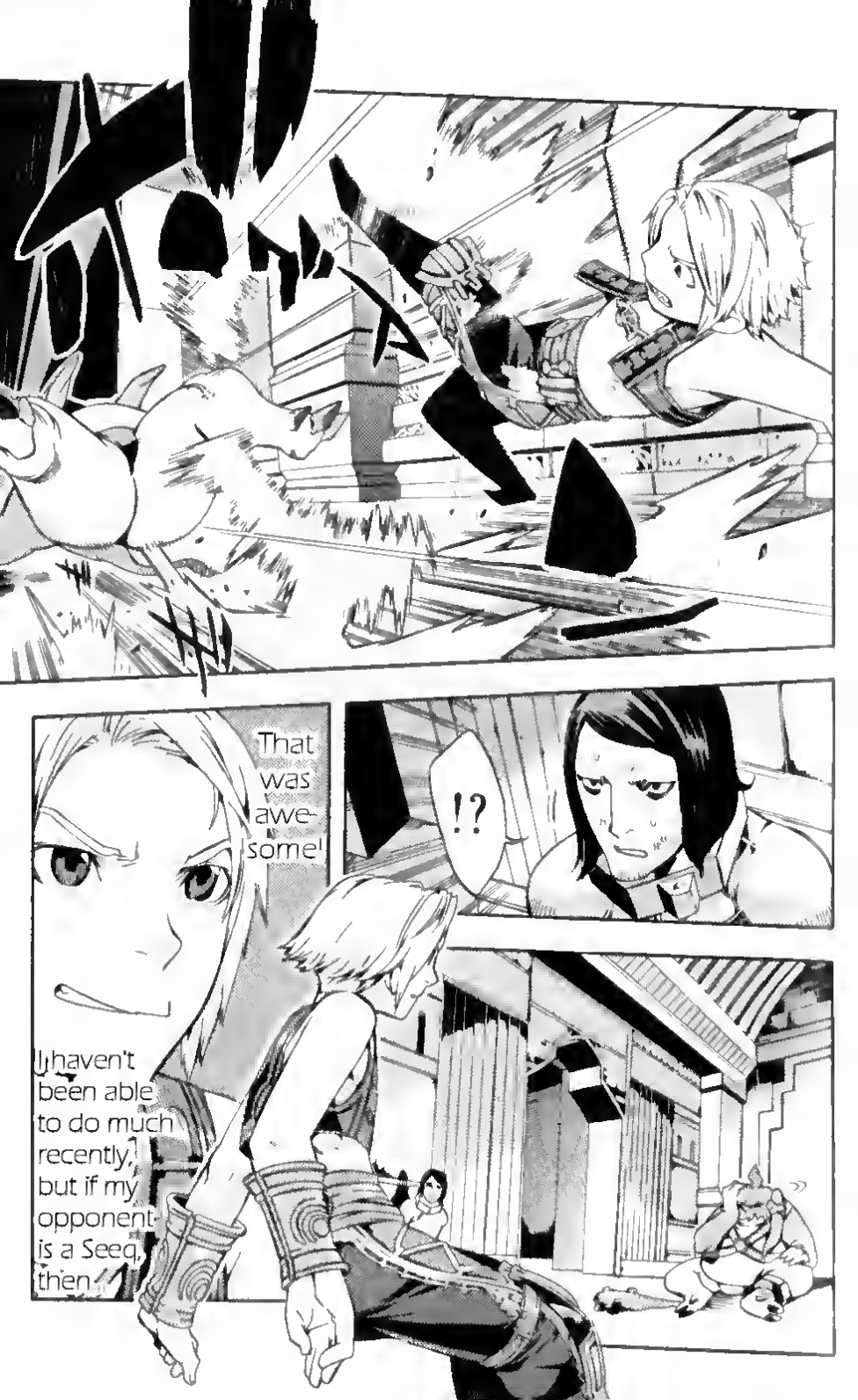
Leave it be
Roll over
No good will come of getting involved.

You stink like a Dalmascan military dog...
Stinks, it stinks~
Stinks.
You should be more careful when you open your mouth-!!
Bark!
Wag your tail!!
If you're a dog, then beg!
Ku-.. Pig bastard


That was awe-some!
!?
I haven't been able to do much recently, but if my opponent is a Seeq, then

I can win!!!

Damn-...
Ah...

Am I actually really weak.?
Am
Am I

This stone, pretty...
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W-wait! That stone is mine!
You can't take it!
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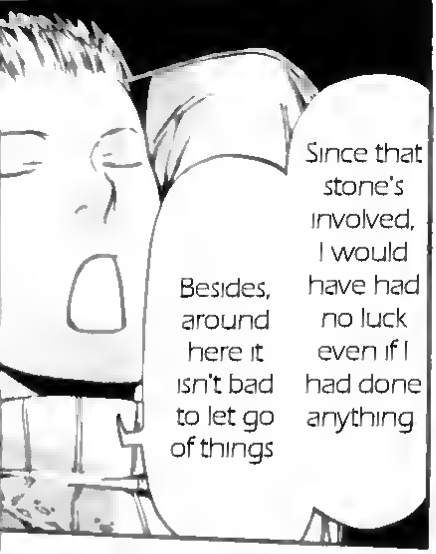
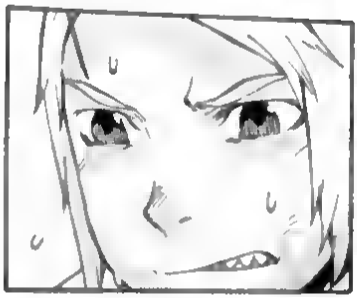
Hey-! Listen when someone's talking to you!
You've got good luck. I'll take this stone instead of your life.
Guaah
Everything that happened at the Palace has been for nothing!
Damnit! Without that stone...
Wait...
Wait, I said!


Since that stone's involved, I would have had no luck even if I had done anything
Besides, around here it isn't bad to let go of things



If you were watching, you could have helped!
Don't forget about me

I...

Shouldn't you be thanking this boy, who's a Dalmascan, same as you?
He saved you

It'll be your fault if Gaoler Daguza comes.
I didn't need your help.
Wha
Don't go saving anyone else.
A kid like you will die here.
What?!
Good advice.

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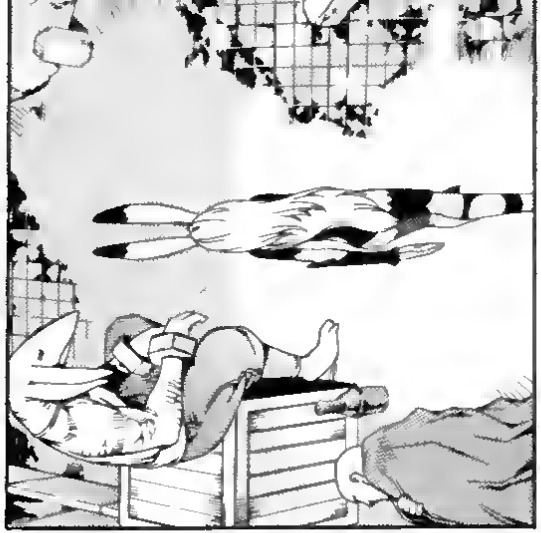
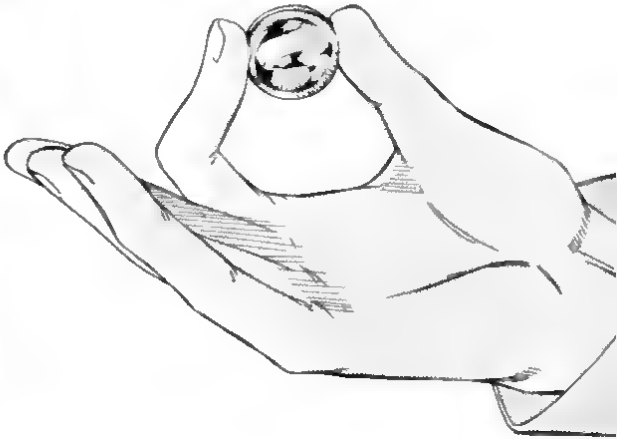
Come on then.

You're weak.
I said in the water-way that you're pushing yourself too hard.

The reason you lost to that Seeq.
Don't you want to know?





I get it, so we're seeing how good my eyes are. No worries, I'm confident in my eyesight
I'm going to throw, and catch, this coin.
You're going to guess which hand it's in.
Then, you should understand your weakness — That's the plan, anyway.
Is that so.
Well then, let's make it interesting.

Let's make a bet.
If I win, you give me that chest piece.
I...
Not this. It was my brother's...
But you may win.
Aren't you confident in yourself?

But the stakes aren't even!
Balthier, you-----
Fine!
I'll do it!!
Your proof of being a sky pirate! Your soul!
You need to bet your airship!

FPA-GB 47 "The Strahl".
She runs on a Glossair engine.
All right.
This is my bet
Yawn
That's the first reason you're going to lose
Heheh Awe-some I've got this in the bag

You have no experience, and yet you're over-confident!
You can't keep your cool long enough to see the difference between yourself and others!
Stop with your anno-ying speech,
And throw the coin, Bal-thier!!

I've got to keep my eyes on it!
I've got to...
Dust ...?!
..... But,

All these kinds of tricks!
I already know...
Now,
Which one?
Which hand is it in?
.....

His left
He caught it with his left hand
Boy
Choose
No...
It's too easy...
He could just be making me think it's in his left
My instinct is telling me there's something off about it
Then,

I'll
believe in my instinct!!

You clearly aren't suited for gambling
I'll be taking this, then.
I...
I was wrong...
Bal-thier
There is no need to be so cruel. It's pitiful

It's not in either hand?!
How in the world... Where's the coin?
?
Fran, did you find an exit?
Here it is.
Wait a second. Why did Fran have the coin?
There is one prob-lem...

Hey!! Answer me! How did that happen?!
All right, then let's go deal with that problem.
The second reason you lost
That's...
Didn't you hear me?!

Don't flatter yourself Don't forget, you're nothing but a filthy bounty hunter, Ba'Gamnan!
If you would just let me-
I don't care how, just bring me that sky pirate!
I said that you Imperial Soldiers are all idiots and fools!
We'll bind you up in chains, then!
Inter-esting!
I'll sew your mouth shut with steel wire!
Who said that?!
Enough of this, Ba'Gamnan.

Judge Magister Gabranth!!
His Excellency Vayne is one who, so long they are competent, does not care about a person's race
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Ah.. Of course
It's a special kind of idiot who can have a so-called "people's government", and yet still have such a strong ruling class
How-ever...

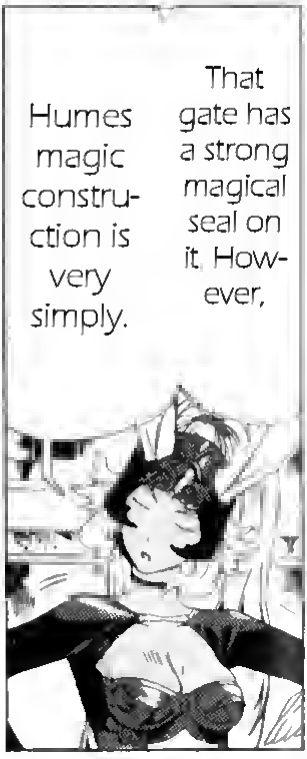
W...We...
Having to deal with one who has no idea of basic manners is...
It is thanks to His Excellency you can move freely thoughout his territory
Isn't that right?
Tch.
I don't know Vayne, I've never met him.
But you're not suited to scheming, Gabranth I may not be too smart, but I'm not an idiot.
.....

It's none of your concern
Where are you going?
Very well. You may search for your sky pirate amongst the prisoners.
.....
Gu..
What are you doing?! Get going!
Split up and look for Balthier!

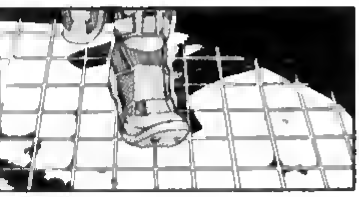
He's a bounty hunter who's after Balthier.
A Bangaa? Do you know him?
B'Gamnan, huh... He's annoying, same as always.
Well, a good man not only has women chase him, but men as well.
.....
But still, that...
That Judge Magister——
Remove the seal.
I'm sure I saw him back in the palace.

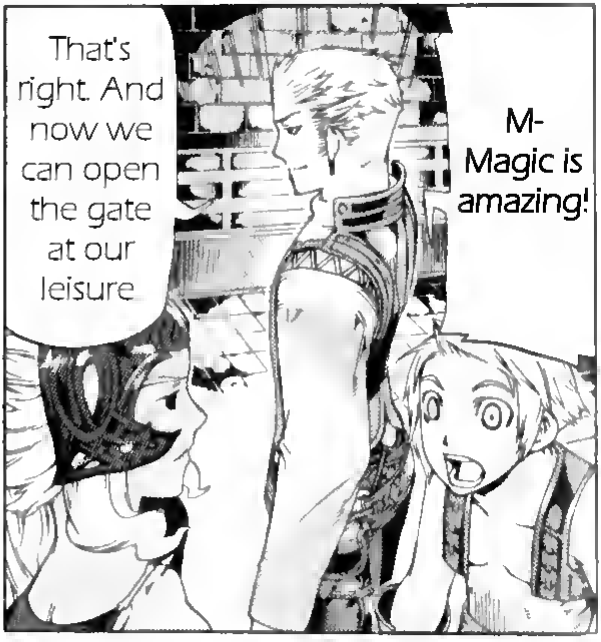
No need
Fran?
Shouldn't we be going? It's going to close!

A Duplicate Key
Seeing it once is plenty enough for me to make one.


That gate has a strong magical seal on it. However,
Humes magic construction is very simply.

Hey, boy...




That's right. And now we can open the gate at our leisure.
M-Magic is amazing!

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Forget about the stone.
All the people who fought for Dalmasca are trapped in this place
It's not that.
I know that.
I promised to bring you back, so try not to go causing extra problems.
They're people who fought beside my brother.
But.

If you don't come with us, you'll never get this back.
He said he'd had a dream about his brother... He's just being sentimental
What?!
You're a swindler. You'd never understand
My feelings.
Boy~ Boy~ You're all talk, Boy~
I told you, I'm not a boy!
Simpleton... That's why you're just a boy!
You mean just sleeping, then?!
A gentleman doesn't boast of his own achievements!
Don't act so big! Fran's the one who did everything!

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That's correct First, we must assure our safety
We're at a disadvantage with the Imperials on the other side The moment we opened the gate, we'd be surrounded

That's enough, both of you
Besides, it's impossible to open this gate right now

So how much time do we have?
Right now, we have no weapons or items. And on the other side of that gate is a Judge Magister
We need to take our time and carefully search out our enemy

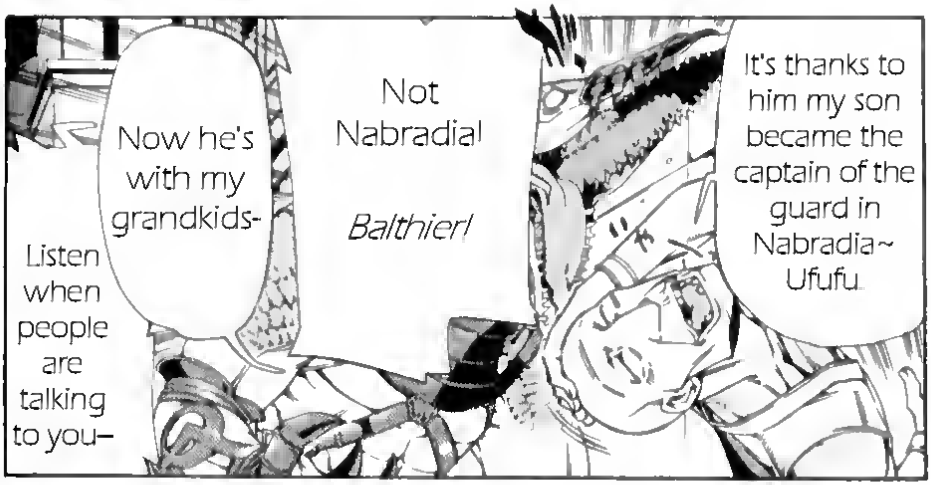
You have two hours to finish your business.
Two hours.
Vaan, put out your hand.
We can't risk waiting any longer.
?
Thanks, Fran.
This hand will change, like the waning of the moon. It will let you know as you near two hours. Be back before then.
Fran is really helpful.
Unlike some people.

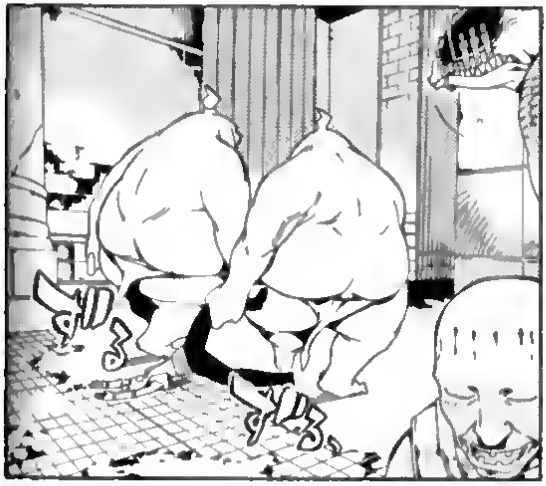
Boy!!
Just watch, I'll bring the stone back, too!
It'll definitely be back in my hand!
There are three reasons you lost
Don't forget
Hehe~
..That was un-expected

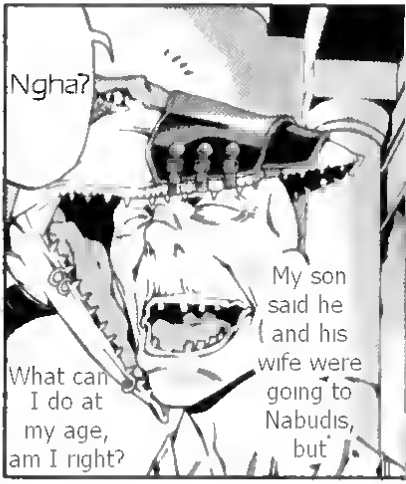
Fuhu~
That child has no idea.
That the sky pirate Balthier protected him while he slept these past three days
I would have expected you to demand a debt of gratitude
Shadd-up~~
Let's just get to work
You're a bit soft on the child, aren't you?

There he is...
Just you wait. I'll be taking that stone back...

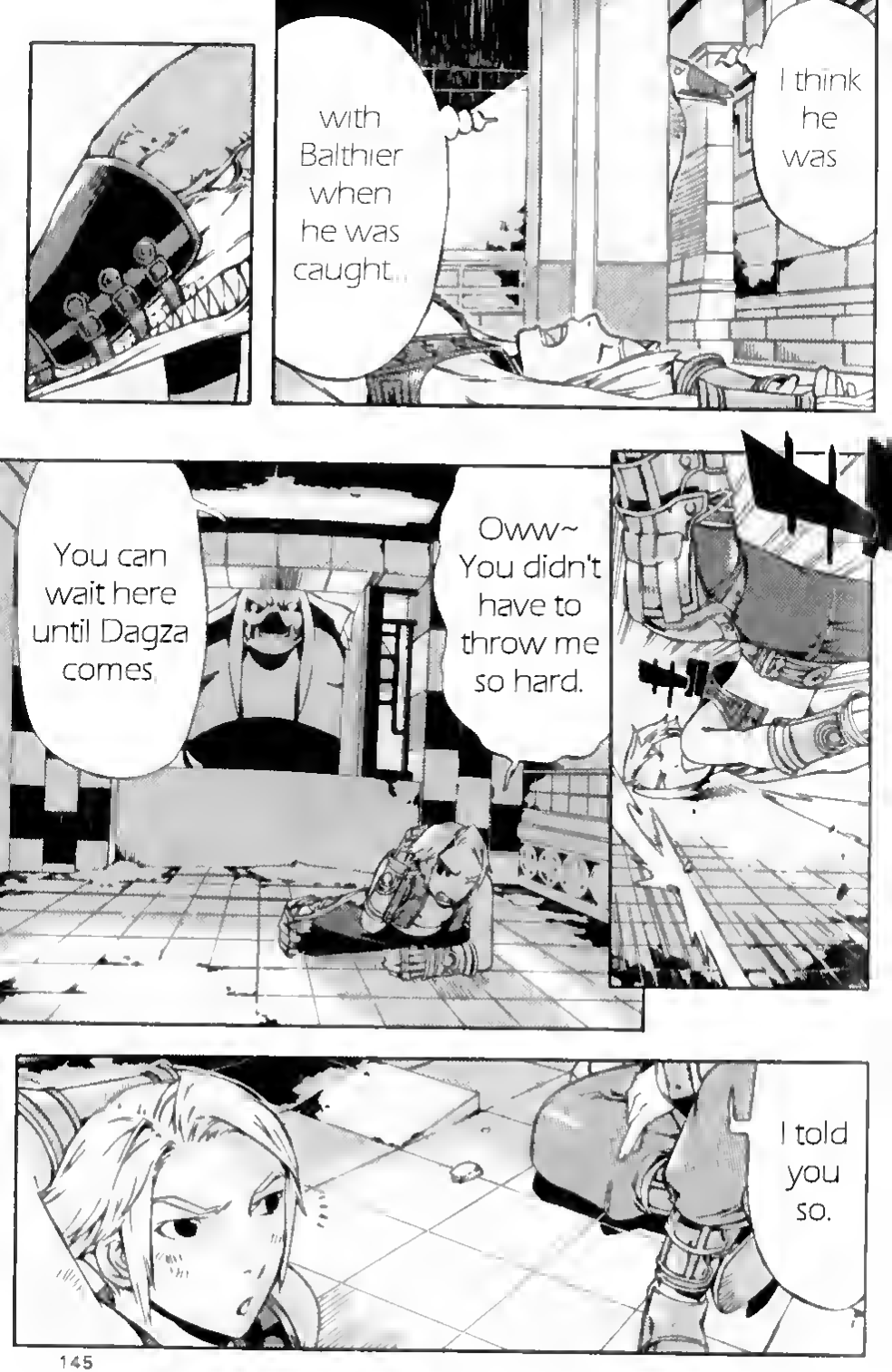
Chapter 11: Reason


Listen when people are talking to you–
Now he's with my grandkids-
Not Nabradia!
Balthier!
It's thanks to him my son became the captain of the guard in Nabradia~ Ufufu




Ngha?
What can I do at my age, am I right?
My son said he and his wife were going to Nabudis, but

That kid...


with Balthier when he was caught...
I think he was
You can wait here until Dagza comes.
Oww~ You didn't have to throw me so hard.
I told you so.

You're that guy from before..
You can't save everyone
That's why you're here, right?
Gaa
I'm going to get that Seeq from behind
I'm not here to save anyone
Damnit, it's locked!

Are you talking about Dagza?! That's insane!
The Seeq?!
Outside, he was a bandit, famous for his cruelty
Since that time, he's gotten even worse
He's pretty much the king of this prison
Look outside It's about to start

Th-
This is..

Dagza does this to show his power, whenever he finds a traitor.
He makes an example of them.
It's pretty much just bullying

Don't look away.
Ku-

Pretty soon that'll be us

I hate that.
So what if you do? You can't do anything about it.
This reign...
This kingdom of the lawless!!!
Dagza has lots of hench-men.
What about them?
You won't end it that easy.

I hate that, too!
Right now, Rabanastre feels a lot like this place
Everyone's just resigned to living under Arcadia's rule
?

...I get it. You're...

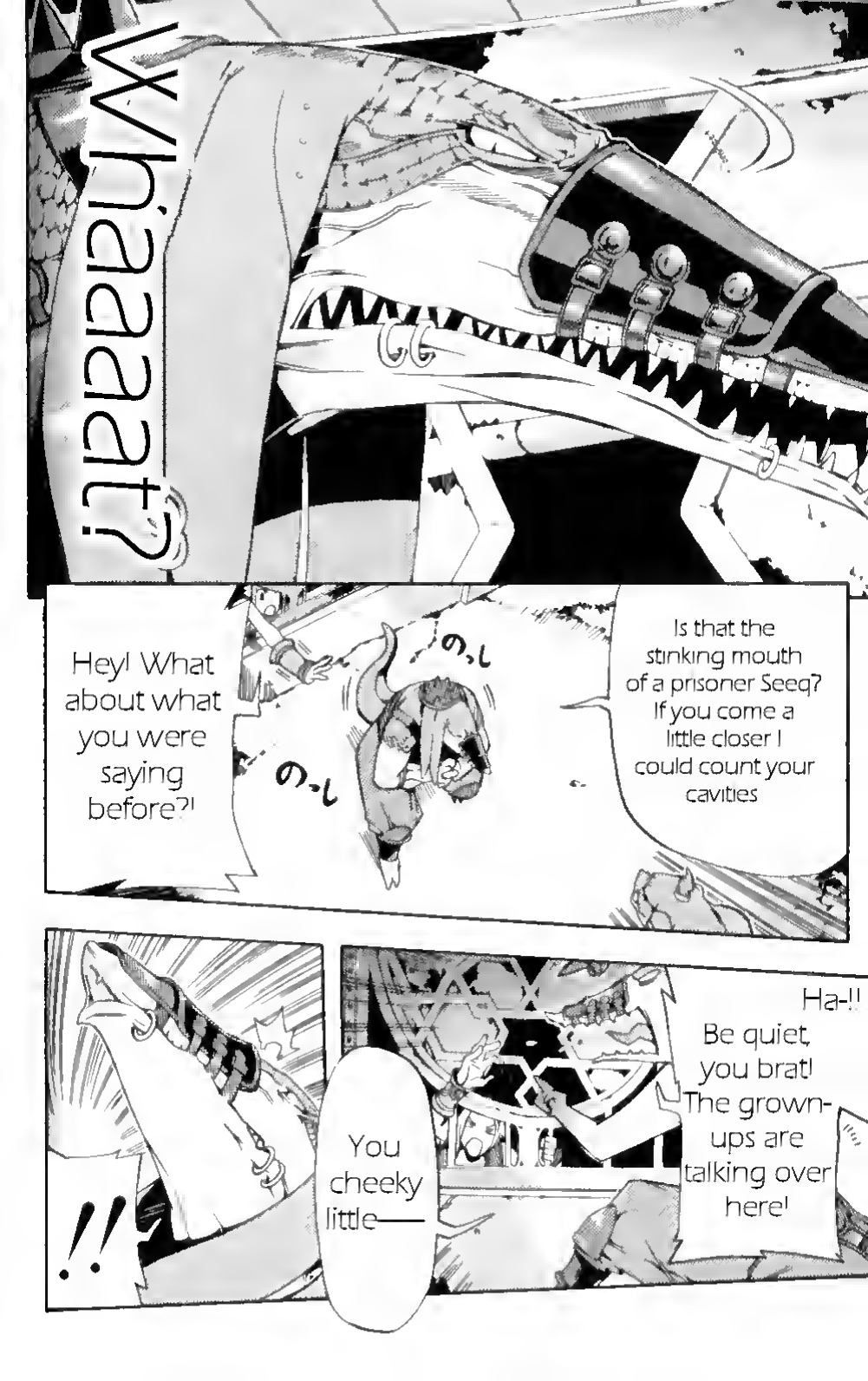
Having the stone stolen just opened a black hole!!
This atmosphere
.....

Your brother didn't fight so you could rot in this place!
All the more reason!
My brother gave his life to protect this country!
Just a kid.
You..
I'm-
I'm not a kid like you I know my limits.
You don't like it? Fine then
I may be a kid, but I can tell when something is twisted!
.....
So you're just going to sit there quietly while Dagza beats you to death?

I won't just lie down and die. My brother protected me—
Even though I'm an idiot, even though I'm a kid!
I may not be that strong, but I'm not going to!
ME
Vaan of Dal-mas-ca!!!

Hey, kid, you want out?
I could let you out.
.....
That is, if you tell me
where the Sky Pirate Balthier is

Mister Dagza, that...
What are you doing here?
I don't know your face, Bangaa
Answer me
You lizard bastard!
Ignore
You've got guts!
He's not listening?!


Whaaaat?
Hey! What about what you were saying before?!
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Is that the stinking mouth of a prisoner Seeq? If you come a little closer I could count your cavities
!!
You cheeky little——
Ha-!!
Be quiet, you brat! The grown-ups are talking over here!

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How dare you do that to me~~!
Bufufu- Weak, Lizard, Weak!
-you
Oh-
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Hey, hey-

GUAAAAH-
YOU DAMN
FAT PIIIIG-!

Give me back
My stooo-oone!!

If he can't figure that out
I'll just beat him again
If he was smart, he wouldn't come at me again
This is that kid who charged at me before

The three reasons... I lost?

The first reason is like I said earlier, that you have no experience.
I- I know how I lost the coin toss

That's right.

But I have to move.
Think a little more before you move, you idiot.
I'm saying you should be cautious, essentially.

The second reason,

You need to pay attention to your surroundings.
For example, you didn't notice that Fran was behind you.
I-I did too notice!
Aaah- I'm sorry, that was a lie, a lie!
The third reason.
You're honest to a fault.
You thought I was seriously playing the game, so you didn't catch onto my cheating. You were too naive.

Whaaaa-
No way~~ Tricking people out of their treasure is the best-
I knew you were cheating! Give that back!
For that coin toss,
I used two.

The truth is it was already an illusion created by Decoy
When I threw the coin with my left hand,
Was in my right hand.
And the real one, with Vanish cast on it.
And I created a double of it with Decoy Two spells
To hide one, I used Vanish
And then,
H- he had to go so far as to use magic?
It was so I could throw it to Fran.
When the coin left my hand, the magic would melt away
It wasn't just to to blind you
When I threw sand at you with my right,

A fake!
That is a sky pirate's way of doing things
To attack a foe when he's unprepared, to come at him from below, to lie
In that case
You've got to pay attention when you move and when you attack. You always move in a straight line
That's the conclusive difference between us
When I fake, I dip and weave.
In that case...

He's broad-casting his movements
I can see his feint. He's an amateur, totally un-familiar with battle.

Just like I thought

He's keeping low——
He's not going left or right, he's keeping straight... not.

I'll win-
Hwah?

W...Why wasn't it a feint..?
He... He went straight..?
There's no way I could stand it, even if my way isn't that strong!
But I won't cheat! That's Balthier's way of doing things!
Yeah, I know.
My attacks are simple and predictable. A lot of the time they don't work
I did.
That's why...
I didn't think...
My head is spinning... You're hard-headed...

I moved faster!
Then when you and I fought before!
Huh?
What's that?

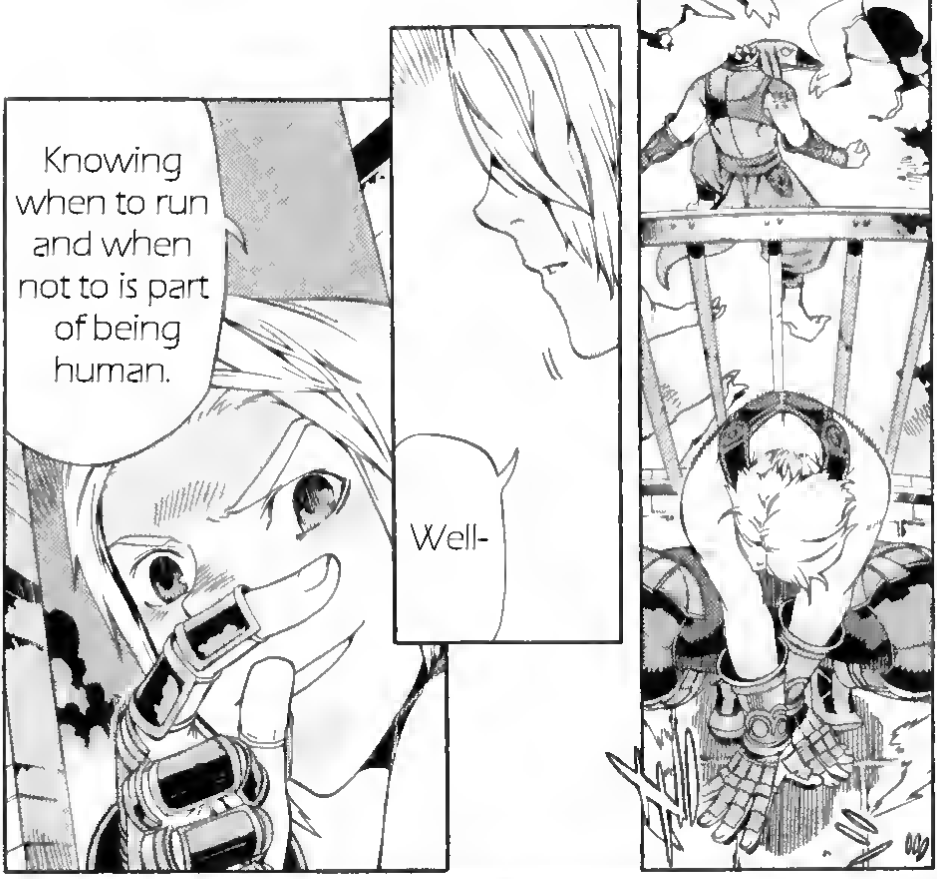
You won't leave here alive----
How dare you, to Mister Dagza-
Damn- There's a lot of them-
!?

You... Why?!
I don't agree with what you said, and they didn't move my heart.
I just can't stand being ridiculed
And,
It's a lot like what he would say when we were fighting

We've got to protect the futures of children like you!
Y-You're just saying whatever you want!
Patro-nizing bastard!
Aaah, damnit.
I just want you guys to tell me where Bal-thier is.

I don't care what you do to him afterwaa-aaards—!!
You seem pretty confident in your speed-
BUT
Don't think you can run away from me!
Hmph-

A feint?!
This speed-
Wha-. Could he be-


Knowing when to run and when not to is part of being human.
Well-

Nnnggww...
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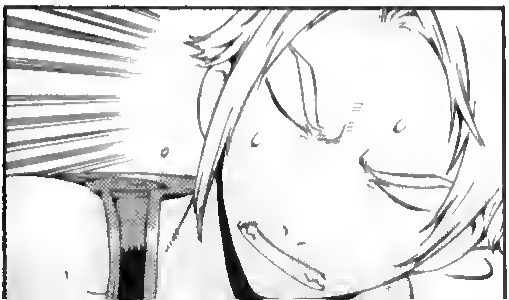
Crap, Dagza's waking up Come on!
Hurry up!
Smile-
.....?
I'm going to take care of you first, kid!
Ku-...

Get going, kid. I can take care of this many.
I'll buy you some time.

Let's meet again in Rabanastre, young man.

Could it be you, from the beginning...
Go!!



Don't you dare die!
Fu-
Hey- Watch it-
I'll deal with you fat pigs!
You'll pay for all this!
You stupid bastard!
Head after that kid, he's with Balthier!
Huh? Boss, what are you doing?

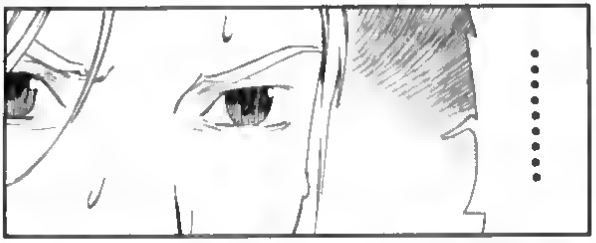
Damnit, I know!
Aah-
It's easy to give that advice I'm the one being chased by Dagza.
Shut up, idiot - only cowards flatter their own power.
For those we're protecting
Though we are in tatters
Our war isn't yet over.
Though the kingdom may be in ruins, so long as this ground is beneath our feet we must fight.

We Warriors of Dalmasca never stop
-Aah
Damn it.

I barely made it!
There's barely any of the dark part left. The moon is almost full—
Balthi....

Where
No way... Hey...
Wha
Balthier...
He wouldn't just leave me behind...
Would he?
I don't see Balthier or Fran anywhere...
!!
We've finally caught up
He would!
Shee
hee hee hee
That cheater totally would!

What? I thought you'd run to where-ever Balthier is..
Or did he betray you?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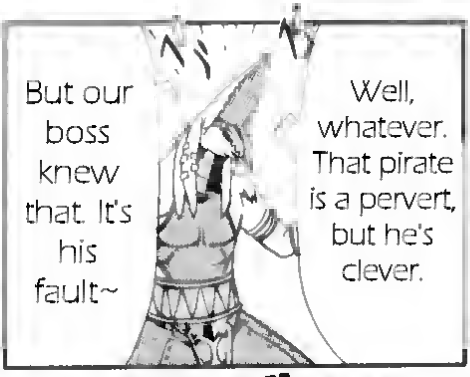
Looks like we don't have time to chat. Sorry
You won't be heading back home. We're going to deal with you here.


Well, whatever. That pirate is a pervert, but he's clever.
But our boss knew that. It's his fault~

Here come the Seeqs.

You two are still doing Ba'gamnan's bidding, then?
?
?
?
Hahahaha- If it isn't the chatty Gijuk and the half-wit Bwagi.
This voice.. that cheating pirate?
!?

W-What the... That..
...That's right! Just like before...
Vanish magic!
Bal-thier!
Where'd you come from?!

The mist's so thick you can see it!
No, it's not just the coin
It's probably—
He can use that to get as much mist as magicite!
His trickster's coin?! Why didn't they confiscate it?
To use that much mist, the amount of concentration needed...
There's a lot of mist gathered in the atmosphere
H-Here comes the magiiic! Take cover—!
あわわ
あわわ
Open the door-!!
He's not just showing off
Fran!!

Fires of War!!

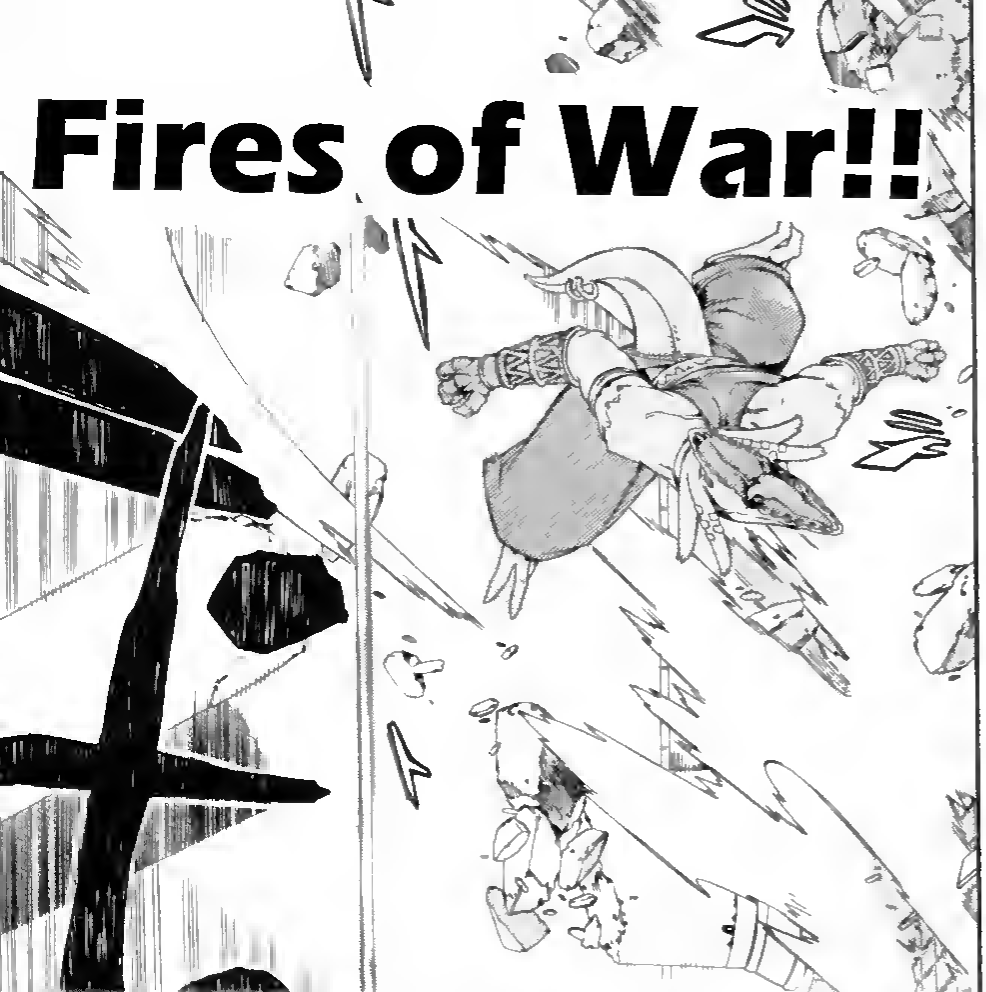
Aah~~~?

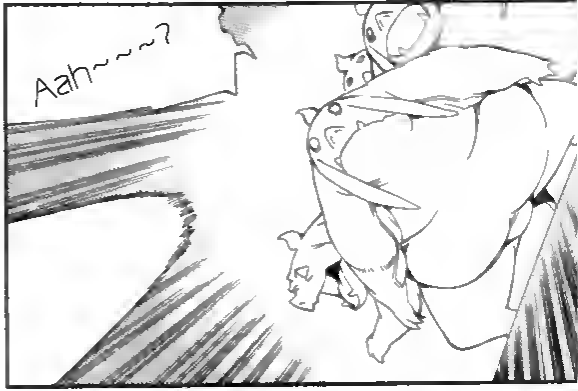
Ba-

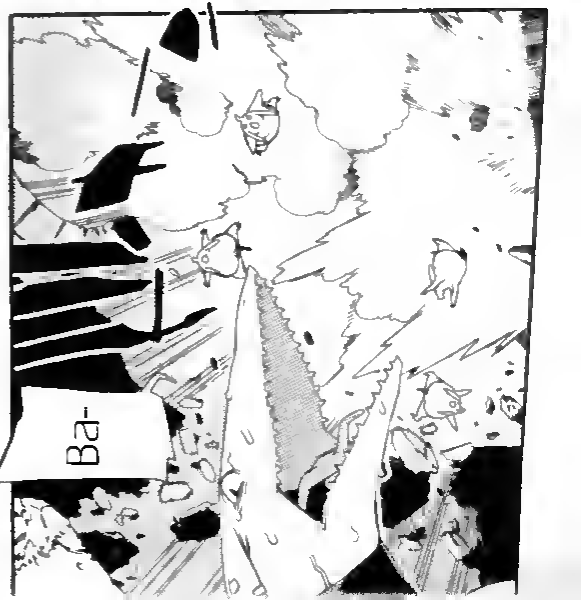
Balthiiiiieerrr–

Say hello to Ba'gamnan for me.

Fires of War!!



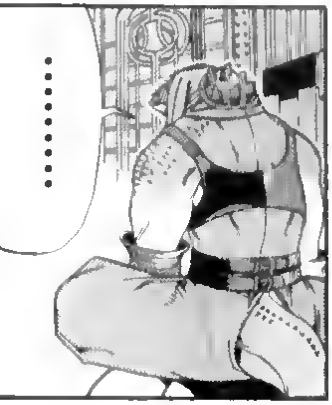


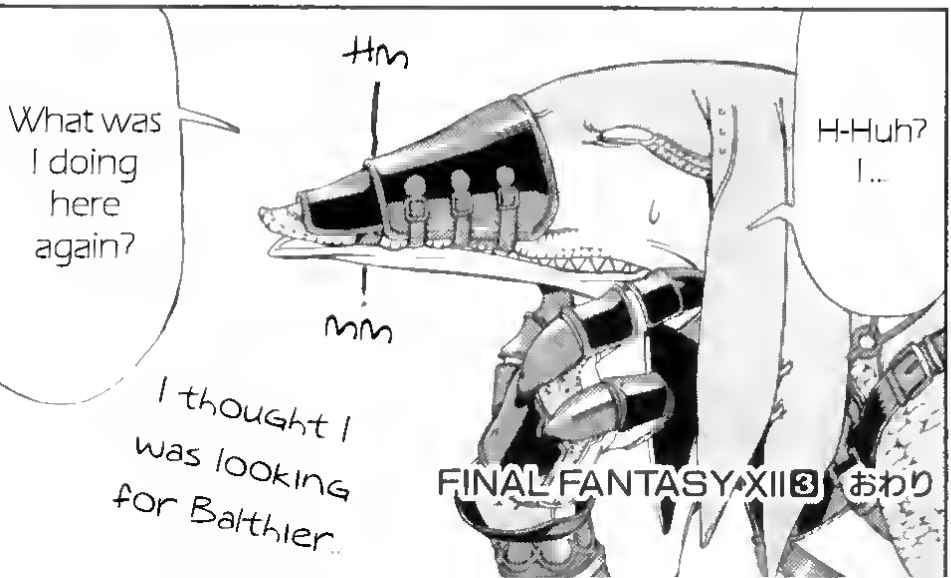


Say hello to Ba'gamnan for me.

Balthiiiiieerrr–

That
is quite the joke.
Shut up I got the stone back fine.
I didn't think you'd make it.
You better be ready.
Next I'm going to get my chest piece back
Hmph-





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